

## United States to Northern Pacific Ry. Co.

Th United States of America, To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting:

Whereas by Act of Congress approved July 2, 1864, entitled "An Act granting lands to aid in the construction of a Railroad and Telegraph Line from Lake Superior to Pudgets Sound on the Pacific Coast by the Northern Route," and the Joint Resolution of May 31, 1870, there was granted to the Northern Pacific Railroad Company, its successors and assigns, for the purpose of aiding in the construction of said railroad and telegraph line and branch, to the Pacific Coast, every alternate section of public land, not mineral, designated by odd numbers, to the amount of twenty alternate sections per mile on each side of said railroad line, as said company may adopt through the Territories of the United States, and ten alternate sections of land per mile on each side of said railroad whenever it passes through any State and whenever on the line thereof, the United States have full title, not reserved, sold, granted, or otherwise appropriated, and free from preemption or other claims or rights at the time the line of said road is definitely fixed and a plat thereof filed in the office of the Commissioner of the General Land Office; and Whereas, official statements from the Secretary of the Interior have been filed in the General Land Office, showing that the Commissioners appointed by the President under the provisions of the fourth section of the first named act, have reported to him that the said Northern Pacific Railroad and Telegraph Line and Branch, excepting that portion between Wallula, Washington, and Portland, Oregon, declared forfeited by the Act of September 29, 1890, have been constructed and fully completed in the manner prescribed by the Act relative thereto, and the same accepted; and Whereas by the act of Congress approved March 2, 1899 (30 Stat. 993) authority is given the Northern Pacific Railroad Company, now Northern Pacific Railway Company, to release and convey by proper deed to the United States the land within Mount Ranier National Park and Pacific Forest Reserve theretofore granted to said company whether surveyed or unsurveyed and to select in lieu thereof an equal quantity of non mineral public lands, so classified at the time of the actual government survey thereof, lying within any State into which or through which the railroad of said Company runs; and it is provided that patent shall issue to said Company for lands so selected, and Whereas the said lands lying within the said Mount Ranier National Park and Pacific Forest Reserve, and the limits of the grant to said Railroad Company have been duly released to the United States by the Northern Pacific Railroad Company, the Northern Pacific Railway Company and the Central Trust Company of New York, and the release has been accepted by the Secretary of the Interior; and Whereas, there has been filed in the office of the Secretary of the Interior evidence showing that the Northern Pacific Railway Company is the lawful successor in interest of the Northern Pacific Railroad Company as to all lands within the limits of the grant made to the said Northern Pacific Railroad Company by the act of July 2, 1864 and all subsequent legislation; and Whereas the following described selected lands have been duly selected by the authorized agent of the Northern Pacific Railway Company under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1899 aforesaid, and the lands given as bases therefor, are within the primary limits of the company's grant and lie opposite the constructed line of its road and are also within the limits of the reserves, released to the United States as aforesaid, to-wit:

North of base line and East of Willamette Meridian, State of Washington

Township Seven, Range Three. The lots numbered one, two three and four, the South half of the Northeast quarter, the South half of the Northwest quarter and the Southwest quarter of Section two, containing five hundred and ten acres and seventy six hundredths of an acre. The lots numbered one, two, three and four, the South half of the Northeast quarter, the South half of